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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF OF STAFF, US ARMY

SUBJECT: Periodic Report on Actions to Increase Readiness to Meet the Berlin Situation

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

APPEALS REVIEW PANEL, DATE 021242

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1. (U) Reference memorandum OCS, dated 7 March 1959, subject as above.

2. (S) This report covers the period 21 March to 4 April 1959. Significant measures being taken by Headquarters, Department of the Army, to improve the Army readiness to meet the Berlin situation are as follows:

a. Previously reported, continuing actions are summarized by subject at BLACK TAB.

b. FIREPOWER (RED TABS)

(1) The basic load of four missiles for the 46th Artillery Group (REDSTONE) has arrived in Europe. (RED TAB 1)

(2)

SSM nuclear capability for NIKE HERCULES units in Europe in about two months. (RED TAB 2)

(3) Authorization of PRC-10 radio set for the infantry rifle company and PRC-6 radio set for the infantry rifle platoon. (RED TAB 3)

c. PERSONNEL (BLUE TABS)

(1) The currently authorized USAREUR strength of 226,485 is being increased to 226,634 by new authorizations totaling 149 military personnel spaces. (BLUE TAB 1)

(2) Deployments of armored packets for the 4th Armored Division has been accelerated. (BLUE TAB 2)

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d. SUPPLY (GREEN TABS).

Supply actions to find material shortages in USAREUR warlike reserves and Operational Projects. (GREEN TAB 1).

e. FUNDS (YELLOW TAB)

BOB approval of the reapportionment action on the transfer of \$17.4 million from the Fourth Quarter to the Third Quarter of FY 1959. \$14.8 million allocated to USAREUR, 19 March 1959, as an increased allocation for the Third Quarter. Concurrently, COA increased USAREUR's annual funding program by \$14.6 million on a deficiency basis in order to assist USAREUR in more positive terms than merely advancing allocations from the Fourth to the Third Quarter. (YELLOW TAB 1).

f. EARLY WARNING (ORANGE TAB).

USAREUR map stocks available for Berlin Situation are adequate. (ORANGE TAB 1).

g. RELATED LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS (WHITE TAB).

Legislative proposals presently in the DOD Legislative Program which may have some effect upon military posture. (WHITE TAB 1).

J. E. MOORE
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